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Washington, D.C. 20231

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Re: Continued Prosecution Application of:

Serial No. 09/251,183 Filed: 2/17/99

Invr: M.S. Lin

Title: Top Layers Of Metal For High Performance IC's  
Examiner J. Garcia, Art Unit 2823

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The above-identified prior application, in which no payment of the issue fee, abandonment of, or termination of proceedings has occurred, is hereby expressly abandoned as of the filing date of this new application. Please use all the contents of the prior application file wrapper, including the Formal Drawings as filed, as the basic papers for the new application. The prior application was filed on or after June 8, 1995.

— Please enter the attached Preliminary Amendment.

The filing fee is calculated on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application as amended.

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Respectfully submitted,

  
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